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## Axalta Employees' Back-to-School Drive Helps Thousands of Philadelphia-area Students

GLEN MILLS, Pa.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- With thousands of children on their way back to school, many without basic tools such as pens, pencils and notebooks, employees of Axalta Coating Systems (NYSE: AXTA), a leading global supplier of liquid and powder coatings, organized a school supply drive at Axalta's North American headquarters in Glen Mills, Pennsylvania. The drive took place over a three-week period in July and August. Employees donated hundreds of items including notebooks, rulers, calculators and more.

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Families wait in line in Chester, Pennsylvania at City Team's Backpack Day to receive backpacks filled with school supplies from donors including Axalta employees who organized a Back-to-School drive. (Photo: Axalta)

Axalta is dedicated to giving back to the communities in which we work and live. In this spirit, we partnered with City Team, a nonprofit in Delaware County, Pennsylvania focused on meeting the needs of the less fortunate in the community, to help future scientists, teachers, business leaders and more return to school prepared with the essentials. City Team and its force of volunteers sorted, placed items into backpacks, and distributed them to

families at its annual “Backpack Day” collection event in Chester, Pennsylvania on August 27.

“Our annual Backpack Day is one of the biggest highlights of our year here at City Team. Seeing so many children smiling and happy and witnessing the joy that brings to their parents is priceless,” said Kwinn Tucker, City Director of City Team Chester. “We couldn't do what we do here without the support and generosity of partners like Axalta who make it possible to serve over 2,000 children in need of backpacks and school supplies. We are so grateful for what all Axalta employees did to help people in need.”

“Axalta is excited to contribute to a program that helped fill backpacks so kids can start the school year with the supplies they need to succeed,” said Steve Maley, Axalta Human Resources Director-North America. “We are incredibly proud of our employees, who took it upon themselves to give to this excellent community cause. An investment in a child’s future is an investment well spent.”

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